

STATE

COUNTY

TOWN OR VICINITY

✓ CALIFORNIA

Mariposa

Bagby

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CAL. 22. BAG, 1-

General View of Bagby (will be flooded by
Merced Irrig. Dist. Dam)REPRESENTED IN
NEGATIVE FILE

H.A.B.S. SURVEY NO.

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History - Benton Mills, later called Bagby, was first named by John C. Fremont for his father-in-law, Thomas Hart Benton. The town lies along the north bank of Merced River. Here Fremont erected and operated a water power mill for grinding gold ore in early 1850's.

Description - The mill was located on south bank of Merced River, flat-laid slabs of serpentine were used in its construction.

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